

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**SEVEN OAKS ELEMENTARY** 

Lexington/Richland 5

Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 502

Principal: Ann Copelan

Superintendent: Dr. Herbert Berg

**Board Chair: Robert Gantt** 

### **PERFORMANCE**

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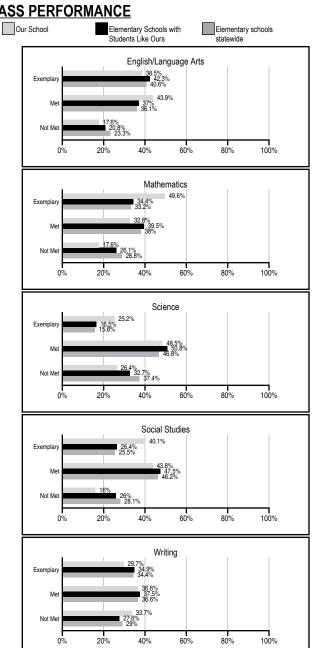
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Good	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2008	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	28	64	1	0

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

### PASS PERFORMANCE



### NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

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South Carolina	38		34	2:	2	6
Nation	34		34	2	24	7
% Below Basic						
MATH – GRADE 4 (2009)						
South Carolina	22		14		29	5
Nation	19	4	13		33	
% Below Basic						
SCIENCE - GRADE 4 (2005)						
SCIENCE – GRA			39		23	2
SCIENCE - GRA South Carolina	36					
	36		39		25	2

### **SC PERFORMANCE GOAL**

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

### 2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## SEVEN OAKS ELEMENTARY [Lexington/Richland 5] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=502)				
Retention rate	0.2%	Down from 0.8%	1.2%	1.2%
Attendance rate	99.9%	Up from 96.1%	96.0%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	15.6%	Down from 16.0%	12.8%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	4.8%	Down from 5.7%	8.5%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	Down from 0.7%	0.4%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	3.6%	Up from 2.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=44)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	68.2%	Up from 62.5%	58.5%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	88.6%	Up from 70.8%	84.6%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0%	Up from 80.1%	87.1%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.8%	Up from 95.3%	95.6%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,586	Down 2.4%	\$47,204	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	13.8 days	Down from 14.1 days	9.8 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.8 to 1	Up from 16.3 to 1	19.4 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.9%	Up from 90.2%	91.1%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,558	Up 4.6%	\$7,182	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.4%	Up from 67.4%	68.1%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	67.3%	Up from 65.5%	64.8%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	47	81	60
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.9%	87.7%	94.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.7%	90.1%	93.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	84.8%	91.4%	86.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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### REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

For 44 years, Seven Oaks Elementary School (SOES) has maintained a tradition of excellence in teaching and learning and generations of families have entered these doors. In the fall of 2009, SOES once again met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in all 21 categories. Terry Davitte was named Teacher of the Year and Distinguished Literacy Teacher of the Year for our school, and Mary Wyatt received Seven Oaks Elementary Support Employee of the Year. Our school received a Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Grant for the purchase and consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables for student snacks 4K-5th.Twelve of our students were chosen to participate in the District Honors Choir and six were selected to the South Carolina Elementary Honor Choir.

During the summer of 2009, our certified teachers attended a summer institute for four days to focus on writing in grades 5K-5th. Training continued during school in-service days and Tuesday afternoon professional development meetings to grow in the area of writing. Representatives from each grade attended the Georgia Reading Conference to learn from respected experts best practices in teaching writing and reading. Each month our teachers attended cohort staff development meetings to research a question asked by the grade level teams, which cover subjects from assessments to technology in the classroom.

Parental and community involvement has been a focus at SOES and our PTA programs have been engaging and involving many students through music, physical education and German instructional programs. Our school implemented literacy programs for our parents and programs showcasing our students' work. Many programs before and after school have involved parents, students and community. Examples of these programs are Fall Harvest Run, Walk Your Child to School Day, Spring Carnival, Muffins for Mom, Donuts for Dad, Movie Nights and International Night for our ESOL families. Our students and staff have raised money and provided items for the Haitian Relief Effort, Cancer Walk, and Jump Rope for Heart, as well as food for Sharing God's Love.

The partnership between businesses and community is vital to our success. This year's Volunteer of the Year is Kathy Weeks, who has shared her talents as a former Reading Recovery teacher, by helping struggling readers. The Business Partner of the Year is Food Lion of St. Andrews and their support has been through donating food items and school supplies to our classrooms, PTA and guidance programs. Barry Stutts is our Outstanding Mentor of the Year and has worked with children for the last five years.

Seven Oaks Elementary is now facing a total facilities renovation project, which will enhance our programs and give our staff and students the tools that they need. As the old carpet is removed, fresh paint, new walls, new technology and additional wings to house our instructional programs are added, our school slogan, GROWING GREAT LEARNERS, certainly focuses on our new growth in both students and facilities.

Ann Copelan, Principal Nita Holmes, SIC Chairperson

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.